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To: State Leadership Team

From: Deputy State Director, Resources

Subject: Fiscal Year 2003 Land and Water Conservation Fund Project Submissions

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Each year BLM State Offices are requested to submit their highest priority Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) Acquisition Project Proposals for outyear appropriations. We received Instruction Memorandum No. 2001-095 (copy attached), which requests our LWCF Project Funding Proposals for FY2003 be submitted to WO-350 by May 25, 2001. This is in advance of the FY2003 Strategic Budget Plan requirements, which will enable offices to consider their needs in relation to completing the associated acquisition work based on the LWCF Project Proposals submitted.

All Field Offices are requested to review the attached requirements and submit LWCF Project Proposals to this office no later than April 13, 2001, according to the guidelines provided. The proposals should be provided electronically to joy zeitelhack@blm.gov. The Resources Division will work with the field offices to review and fine-tune the Project Proposals, if needed. Our final statewide submission can include no more than five LWCF Project Proposals.

All Proposals will be provided to the State Leadership Team, prior to the due date, to determine which proposals, and in what priority, should be forwarded as Arizona's submission.

For your information, out of five Arizona LWCF Project Proposals submitted for FY2002, three are listed as priorities on the Bureau-wide list. These three include the San Pedro Ecosystem LWCF Project for \$4.2 million, the Grand Canyon-Parashant National Monument LWCF Project for \$1.2 million, and the Cerbat Foothills Project for \$750,000. Some of the funding for these projects is also expected to come from unspent FY98 Title V funds in Arizona.

The WordPerfect formatted forms are available from this office. Please do not staple or bind any of the hard copies sent to the Resources Division such as maps or photographs. If you have questions please call Joy Zeitelhack at (602) 417-9229.

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Attachment 1 - IM 2001-095 (12 pp.)